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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/879,854 Confirmation No. 3686  
Applicant : Schinazi *et al.*  
Filed : June 12, 2001  
TC/A.U. : 1623  
Examiner : Traviss C. McIntosh III  
Title : *Nucleosides with Anti-Hepatitis B Virus Activity*  
Docket No. : 18085.105093 (EMU120 CIP CON)  
Customer No. : 20786

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 20, 2008

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants herewith petition that the period for response to the Office Action mailed on September 20, 2007, in the above-identified application be extended for three months, to and including, March 20, 2008. Applicants enclose a credit card payment form for payment of the required fees. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 11-0980.

Regards,

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